Annual Meeting Minutes – 2023
Star Lake Property Owners' Association
June 10th, 2022 Camp Joy on Star Lake

President Dick Fultz called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

1. Dick introduced the current Board of Directors:
    a. Steve Roth, Vice-President (2023)
    b. JoLene Kerr, Treasurer (2025)
    c. Gail Hagen, Secretary (2024)
    d. Linda Dimitrijevich, Director (2024)
    e. Yvette Lewis, Director (2025)
    f. Vacant position

2. The minutes from the 2022 Annual Meeting were provided to attendees. Dick asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Carolyn Herron made a motion to approve the minutes, and Kristen Daniels seconded the motion. All in attendance were in favor. Motion carried.

3. Treasurer's Report: JoLene Kerr, Treasurer, provided a report to the members. The SLPOA has $10,051.97 in the Checking Account, and $19,258.88 in the Money Market account. The total of both accounts is $29,310.85. The highest expenditure this last year was the purchase of the digital signs for Highway 108. JoLene also reported that we will be implementing a reporting process for the 2023-2024 membership year that will categorize all expenditures and deposits, which will be reported to the membership going forward. This change was based on a request from a member. She also reiterated that our records are open for review when requested. We also recently had a financial review completed by a member, Sharon Sand, who provided a written report that was read to the attendees. A copy is attached to the minutes.

4. Membership & Publicity: Gail Hagen, Secretary, reported that we have had great support from property owners with membership to SLPOA. In 2022, we had 230 paid memberships, with 12 of those as Associate members. Up to the morning of the Annual Meeting we are at 155 paid memberships. Many memberships were paid this morning and we are on pace with previous years.

5. Water Safety (Buoys): Yvette was unable to attend the meeting due to a mechanical issue at her store. Dick reported that we have added a few more volunteers this year

to help with the placement and removal of the buoys. A huge thank you to all of the volunteers that spend their time and resources on the buoys to keep our lake safer for all users of the lake.

6. Adopt-A-Highway: We had another successful event this spring with many volunteers. JoLene has submitted the paperwork to Otter Tail County to continue our support of this segment of County Highway 41.

7. Shoreline Restoration: JoLene reported that we only had one application last year for our Lakescaping Grant program. Since the implementation in 2019, there have been 4 projects submitted from members that have been approved. This program is in conjunction with a program offered by East Otter Tail Soil and Water Conservation District. Members can continue to utilize the services of EOTSWC to improve their shoreline along with their funding programs for shoreline restoration, but SLPOA will discontinue the Lakescaping Grant Program.

8. AIS: The AIS Committee has a presentation later in the meeting.

9. Water Quality: Carolyn Herron provided an update to the attendees on the results of her water testing. The latest reading from the Secchi Disk was 15.5 feet, which is excellent. The presence of Zebra Muscles will continue to impact the clarity of the water due to the filtering of the water for their food. This ultimately will also impact weed growth due to the amount of light that will reach the lake bottom. Reports on water quality are available online at RMB Labs website.\

10. Fisheries and Ice Fishing Stress on Star Lake: Steve Roth reported that we have not submitted anything to the DNR since our last Annual Meeting to request a lower Sunfish limit. We still have the signed petitions that were started last year at the Annual Meeting and Steve passed around another copy of the petition for more signatures. There is overwhelming support of reducing the limit from 10 to 5. We were not able to get a DNR Fisheries representative for this meeting. A number of questions and issues were brought up by the attendees about the Fishery of Star Lake. Gail Hagen suggested that we request Jim Wolters for a separate meeting specifically for concerns about the Fishery. The date and time for this meeting will be communicated to our membership and will be open for all to attend.

11. Emily Riley from Star Lake Township spoke to the attendees about the activities of Star Lake Township. The township consists of 35.8 square miles with 25 square miles of land and 10.8 square miles of water. The major lakes in Star Lake Township are Dead, Moore, Mud, North Long and Star Lake. The Board of Supervisors meets

monthly on the 2nd Tuesday at 6:00 PM. The township was instrumental in getting our permit approval from MNDOT for the Digital Speed Signs, as well as implementing signage for No Parking along Beaver Dam Road.

12. Lee Mindemann, Bob Gettel and Kristin Daniels presented information on AIS. Lee provided information on what AIS is, how it spreads, current research on prevention and remediation. Bob and Kristin presented information on "Clean, Drain & Dry" to prevent spread of AIS by boats. Handouts were also provided to attendees.

13. Gail provided an update to the attendees about the 2023 Membership Directory. We are making improvements to the format to include full color and photos submitted by members and higher quality paper, printing and binding. Due to family medical issues, we were not able to meet the Annual Meeting date for distribution. We will let everyone know as soon as it is available. A big Thank You to those that submitted photos for us to consider for inclusion in the directory. We have some amazing photographers on our lake!

14. The Board of Directors is requesting approval from the membership to increase the annual membership fee to $40 for property owners, and $35 for associate members. The current year fees had already been changed on the Membership Form, but our by-laws require approval from the members. Dick asked for a motion from the floor. Gail made a motion to change annual dues to $40 for Property Owners and $35 for Associate Members (Non-Voting). Arnie Schenck seconded the motion. There was no opposition. Motion was carried.

15. We have one BOD term (Steve Roth) that is expiring, and one position vacant. Dick made a call for nominations from the floor. Dick made a second call for a nomination from the floor. Tom Deegan volunteered for a BOD position. A motion was made by Don Herron to accept Steve Roth and Tom Deegan for BOD positions. Kristin Daniels seconded the motion. All were in favor, no one opposed. Motion was carried.

16. We held drawings for door prizes that were donated by the following businesses:

Ace Hardware, Perham	Jean's Plant Place, Perham
Anonymous	LAC Car Wash, Perham
Bell's Resort Bar & Grill, Star Lake	Landmark Liquor, Perham
Betty's Pantry, Ottertail	Larry's Supermarket, Pelican Rapids
Bongaard's Retail Store, Perham	Mark's Fleet Supply True Value, Perham
Camp Aquila Pure Maple Syrup, SL	Mark's Home & More, Perham
Central Market, Perham	Mysteries Café, Dent

Community Savings Bank, Dent	Pelican Liquors, Pelican Rapids
Ditterich Mercantile, Vergas	Photo Magic, Perham
Dougout, Dent	Pizza Ranch, Perham
duCharme's Corner Store, SL	Ray's Sport & Marine, Perham
Gene's Sport Shop, Perham	Service Foods, Perham
Goose Gang, Perham	Strand Ace Hardware, Pelican Rapids
Heart O' Lakes Meats, Pelican Rap.	Wild Goose, Perham

17. Dick asked for a motion to adjourn. Arnie Schenck made a motion to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Hagen
Secretary, SLPOA

Attachments: Financial Review Report